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C O N F I D E N T I A L THE HAGUE 4897

PARIS FOR UNDER SECRETARY CASEY

E.O. 11652: GDS 12/31/79

TAGS: ENRG, NL, OECD

SUBJECT: NETHERLANDS OIL SITUATION

REF: STATE 216873, BRUSSELS 6308 (NOTAL)

1. IN DISCUSSION OIL SUPPLY PROBLEM NOV 7 WITH VAN
RHIJN, DEP DIR GEN OF ENERGY, WE MENTIONED STATUS
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(FIRST REFTEL) OF ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS POSED BY

GON AS REPORTED IN HAGUE 4759 AND 4760. IN ENSUING CONVERSATION VAN RHIJN ASKED FOR ASSURANCES ON TWO MORE POINTS: A) THAT US WOULD NOT CLAIM PRIORITY IN IMPORTS OF OIL THROUGH ITS COMPANIES, AND B) THAT USG WOULD ENCOURAGE COMPANIES TO TREAT ALL EUROPEAN USERS WITH EVEN HAND. HE DID NOT INDICATE ANY DISPOSITION ON NETHS PART TO ASK FOR DIRECT ASSISTANCE IN OIL SUPPLY, ALTHOUGH HE THOUGHT HIS MINISTER WOULD MAKE SOME SORT OF SUGGESTION ALONG THIS LINE IN MEETING WITH SECY SCHLESINGER LATER TODAY.

2. HE CARRIED THIS THEME A BIT FURTHER IN RESPONSE TO OUR QUERY (BASED ON FINAL SENTENCE SECOND REFTTEL) WHETHER GON HAS REQUESTED OIL COMPANIES NOT TO REDUCE SHIPMENTS TO NETHERLANDS MORE THAN REDUCTIONS TO OTHER EUROPEAN COUNTRIES. HE SAID THAT COMPANIES HAD "AGREED" TO CONTINUE OIL SUPPLY TO NETHERLANDS IN PROPORTION TO SUPPLY TO OTHER COUNTRIES AND THAT GON WILL USE ANY AVAILABLE QUIET MEANS TO HOLD THEM TO THIS UNDERTAKING.
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